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Comments: Payette National Forest Supervisor,

I am writing to express my views on Midas Gold Idaho's Stibnite Gold Project. The opportunity presented by the Stibnite Gold Project is compelling for many reasons and it is a project I am committed to seeing come to fruition.

What I like about Midas Gold's plan is that it offers solutions for damage caused by legacy operations and creates a brighter future for the site. For example, Midas is cleaning up old mining waste from projects dating back to the WWII era. I know that Alternative 2 is a holistic proposal that addresses existing issues and protects against their reoccurrence. Tailings are just one issue related to mining projects, and Midas is addressing them directly. Under Alternative 2, the company will construct a long-term storage facility for future waste from mining operations. The facility is designed to withstand an earthquake up to 6.5 on the Richter scale. I feel confident the company has considered multiple scenarios in the design, so it will be able to operate continuously with no problems in order to protect the environment.

Thank you for reviewing my comments. Again, I urge you to permit Midas Gold's carefully thought out plan as outlined under alternative two.